

CANDIDATES OFF IN THE BIG RACE

**A Great Struggle for the
Senatorship and Gov-
ernorship Is On.**

ASPIRANTS MAKE FORMAL AVOWAL

**Those Running for United
States Senator, Governor, Lieu-
tenant-Governor, Attorney-
General and Other Nomi-
nations in Democratic
Primary in the Field.**

With the advent of 1905, almost with the dawn of New Year's Day, the campaign for the Democratic nominations for United States senator, Governor and other State officers began actively and openly. For months candidates had been announced for most of the offices, for which nominations are to be made, and the leading aspirants for the governorship and senatorship had been "swinging around the circle," losing no opportunity to meet and to address the people of every section of the State.

The campaign for the various nominations is going to be especially active for the reasons—first, that the Democratic nomination is regarded as equivalent to election; and, second, that for the first time candidates for the high offices to be filled are to be chosen by primary election. Instead of by convention as heretofore, in a convention the man with the smallest following originally might win the honor, over men who had almost enough delegates pledged to elect him in the primary, conditions which make a difference in the man with the most followers will inevitably be nominated, for a mere plurality vote will confer the nomination, whether it be also a majority or not.

Inasmuch as every Democratic voter will have an equal voice in the primary, the candidates will make an effort for the favor of the individual voter, instead of for the more influential men, as heretofore. This will result in a stump campaign, in which orators will be heard at every county seat and at the crossroads throughout the State. The result will be a more intimate acquaintance between the candidates and among their friends, and this will be a most important factor in the election.

Formal Announcements.
Congressman Claude A. Swanson, of Pittsylvania county, this morning in the columns of The Times announced formally by announcing his candidacy for the gubernatorial nomination, to which, it will be recalled, he aspired four years ago. Mr. Swanson's announcement speaks for itself.

Lieutenant-Governor Joseph E. Willard, of Fayette county, several months ago made formal announcement of his candidacy through an interview in The Times-Dispatch.

State Senator William H. Mann, of Nottingham, generally known as Judge Mann, made a year ago an announcement that he would be a candidate, and has given no intimation of any change of mind since that time. He is a candidate quite as fully announced, if not so formally, as Messrs. Swanson and Willard.

While Hon. J. Taylor Elyson, of this city; Hon. H. George Tucker, of Lexington, and others have been mentioned as probable aspirants, they have made no announcement and given no recent intimation of such intention, and are not considered as candidates.

For the senatorship there are two avowed aspirants—Senator Thomas S. Martin, the incumbent, now serving his second term and rounding out his tenth year in the Senate, and Governor A. J. Montague, who recently made formal announcement of his candidacy after consultation with friends a day or two before. Senator Martin was never a candidate for public office until elected senator by the General Assembly of 1894-95, when he defeated General Fitzhugh Lee, and took the seat March 4, 1895. He was re-elected by the General Assembly of 1900 and 1901, defeating Governor J. Hoge Tyler, who tardily entered the field as a contestant.

Governor Montague was a practicing lawyer at Danville, Va., until he was appointed United States district attorney by President Cleveland in 1893. He won the nomination for Attorney-General in a memorable fight at the Roanoke Convention of 1897, and while serving the last year of his term in that position, he announced his candidacy for and was nominated for Governor over Hon. Claude A. Swanson at the convention at Norfolk, in August, 1901. He is now entering upon the last year of his term as

GOVERNOR, AND HAS ANNOUNCED HIS CANDIDACY FOR THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO SUCCEED SENATOR MARTIN, WHOSE TERM EXPIRES MARCH 4, 1907.

Other Possibilities.
Former Governor J. Hoge Tyler, of Pulaski, and Congressman William A. Jones, of Richmond county, have been frequently mentioned as prospective candidates, but neither has made announcement of his aspirations.

There are many offices to be filled at the primary next August, or September. For State treasurer Hon. W. H. Boaz, of Albemarle, is an announced contestant of State Treasurer A. W. Harman, Jr., of Rockbridge, who will stand for re-election. For superintendent of public instruction Dr. J. W. Southall, the incumbent, will be opposed by Mr. J. D. Ferguson, of Prince Edward. Hon. D. C. Egleston, of Secretary of the Commonwealth, is a candidate for re-election, but is unopposed and so far as known will have no opposition. The same is true of Commissioner of Agriculture G. W. Koiner, who will probably be named without opposition. Both Messrs. Egleston and Koiner served for years in the General Assembly of Virginia and are widely known in the State.

Twenty members of the Senate of Virginia are to be chosen for two-year terms, and the entire one hundred members of the House are to be chosen. A number of the senators will not stand for re-election. Hon. Edward Bonds, of Augusta, who prior to his election as Lieutenant-Governor, had served for years in the Senate, will again aspire to that body, and his nomination and election are assured. Senator Blain Massie, of Nelson, will have opposition from Mr. A. E. Strode, of Amherst. State Senator W. P. Darksdale, of Halifax, will probably not be a candidate. Senator E. F. Cromwell, of Norfolk county, will almost surely have opposition in the primary.

In the House of Delegates many changes are likely, including the voluntary retirement of Speaker John P. Ryan, for many years a member and for years presiding officer; Hon. William H. Boaz and his colleague, Hon. W. R. Duke, of Albemarle, and many others prominent in that body. Altogether, the prospect now is that there will be many new faces in both houses. Many who desire to return will succumb to the opposition among their constituents.

COURT SAYS UNIVERSITY CANNOT BE MOVED

(By Associated Press.)
NASHVILLE, TENN., Jan. 7.—The Chancellor Court of Appeals of Tennessee has decided that the Southern Presbyterian University cannot be removed from Clarksville, Tenn. There has been an effort by the Presbyterians of Atlanta to have the university removed to that city and continued with the one now in North Carolina. The case will now be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States.

TWO VESSELS SUNK DURING BIG GALE

(By Associated Press.)
PROVINCETOWN, MASS., Jan. 7.—A sixty-knot southeasterly gale kicked up a tremendous sea here to-day and badly damaged the fishing fleet in the harbor. The auxiliary fishing steamer Empress and the gasoline fishing boat, Mrs. A. Foster, were sunk at their moorings. Several sloops were either damaged or sunk. No one was on board the Empress.

The Monitor, for the safety of which there has been some fear, put into the harbor during the night. Neither the Woodenend nor the Race Point life-savers have seen anything of the disabled Norwegian life-boat.

MILES NOW MEMBER OF STAFF OF DOUGLAS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 7.—The War Department to-day assigned Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., as a member of the staff of Governor Douglas, of Massachusetts.

WEARY OF LIFE, YOUNG MOTHERS INHALE GAS

**Two Women in New York Com-
mit Suicide and Nearly
Kill Families.**
(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, January 7.—Two young mothers ended their lives to-day by inhaling illuminating gas, and in doing so nearly caused the death of their husbands and children.

The methods employed by both were strangely similar. Early to-day Mrs. Anderson's husband woke to find his house filled with gas, his three children almost unconscious, and his wife dead, sitting on a chair in the kitchen with a tube from the gas stove in her mouth.

Mrs. Kate Arund was found in the kitchen of her home early to-day, dead from gas, which was flowing from several open coals in the gas stove. Her husband awoke just in time to save his own life and that of the baby. Domestic unhappiness and ill health were the causes for the suicides.

ABOUT TO WIPE A FAMILY OUT

**Diphtheria is Fearfully Malig-
nant Form in Nansemond
County.**

PROMPT ACTION IMPERATIVE

**Board of Health Will Burn Every
Article of Furniture and Cloth-
ing of Those Infected.**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, VA., January 7.—To save a family of thirteen persons from extermination and to stay the ravages of diphtheria in the neighborhood of Myrtle, Va., the Nansemond county board of health, composed of the clerk of courts, chairman of the board of supervisors and three physicians, this afternoon met on an emergency call. Evidence before the board showed that five children of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, of Myrtle, had recently died of diphtheria, and that the mother and two other of the six surviving children now are ill with the same disease in the most malignant form.

The health board decided that every article of furniture and clothing in the home should be burned, and members of the household should be dressed in unworn garments, and removed into other quarters.

Some of the nearby neighbors advocated the burning of the dwelling, which they considered a menace. The board and disinfection will be under a doctor's direction.

LUNATIC PURSUING IMAGINARY THIEF KILLED

(By Associated Press.)
ST. LOUIS, MO., January 7.—While under the hallucination that he was pursuing a burglar, C. S. Martin, thirty years old, raced across the roofs of his own and adjoining dwellings until he attracted the attention of several persons, who thought Martin was a burglar, and started in pursuit.

Martin heard his pursuers and rushed quickly to the edge of a roof, leaped into the street, four stories below, receiving injuries from which he died an hour later.

Fire in Lancaster, Pa.

(By Associated Press.)
LANCASTER, PA., January 7.—The hotel and dwelling of Barton R. Chaffee, the barber shop of Nathan Leeds, the dwelling and store of Martin Leibold and the home of Charles Kepler, of Reamstown, Pa., were destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

The fire is supposed to have started in Leibold's store from an overheated stovepipe.

The Leibold family narrowly escaped with their lives, being taken out of the second-story window clad only in their night clothes.

Stop Curb Trading.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, January 7.—It is considered probable as the result of a telegram received here from New York to-day that the local cotton exchange will put a stop to all "curb trading."

The telegram was from President Schaefer, of the New York Cotton Exchange, and said:

"I understand that orders are frequently sent here from New Orleans parties to buy or sell after the close of our market, or as commonly called 'the curb.'"

GEORGE D. WISE IS A CANDIDATE

**Well Known Lawyer Will Run
for Commonwealth's
Attorney.**

HELD THE OFFICE TEN YEARS

**Some of the Celebrated Cases
Tried During His In-
cumbency.**

Hon. George D. Wise has announced himself a candidate for the position of Commonwealth's Attorney to succeed Hon. D. C. Richardson.

Captain Wise, as he is popularly known, was Commonwealth's Attorney from 1870 until 1890, during the time when crime was rampant in the city.

Judge Montague, president of the Court of Appeals, said at that time that George D. Wise was the best prosecutor in Virginia. Captain Wise served this district in the United States Congress for many years, and has long been a potential factor in public affairs.

In reply to a question asked regarding the celebrated cases prosecuted by him during his term of office as Commonwealth's Attorney, Captain Wise said yesterday:

"A large number of the cases I tried when Commonwealth's Attorney are reported in the reports decided by the Supreme Court of Appeals, and in their argument before that tribunal I appeared with the Attorney-General. The first was the case against Chahoon, then a candidate for the mayoralty against Henry K. Elyson. Chahoon was indicted for forging a note for \$5,000, purporting to have been drawn by Solomon Hounstain, payable to John W. Thompson, and for uttering said note, knowing it to be forged. The forgery charged was the note of an unnaturalized foreigner, and the forging or uttering of it was in fraud of the administrator of Hounstain, and the heirs of Hounstain, if he had any, or of the State, if he had none. The prisoner was defended by Governor H. H. Wells, who served during the reconstruction period; Judge W. W. Cruise, Governor, and Governor H. H. Wells, and Colonel Mattheus Johnson. I conducted the case alone in the Hustings Court, and assisted the Attorney-General in the Supreme Court of Appeals. The case was twice in the Court of Appeals, and the result was the conviction of the prisoner. It is reported in 20th and 21st Gratton."

"The next most important case was that of W. D. Coleman, then editor of the Richmond Enquirer, the leading Democratic paper of the State, and also secretary of the commissioners of the sinking fund of the State. He was indicted for forging a record of the State, and thereby defrauding the State. He was ably defended by Colonel Thomas S. Flournoy, Elisha Barksdale and William Royal, and was convicted and served a term in the penitentiary of Virginia. The case is reported in 25th Gratton."

"Another important case was that against Polindexter, reported in 33d Gratton. The prisoner was indicted for the murder of Curtis, and was defended by Colonel John B. Young, John S. Wise and William L. Royal. He was convicted."

Mr. Wise served under Judges A. B. Cullison and George L. Christian. There are ten or twelve cases tried by him which are reported in the Supreme Court reports.

"COLD WAVE COMING."

Lecture on Liquid Air at Y. M. C. A. Hall by Dr. Patty.
Much interest is being manifested in the cold wave that is approaching Richmond; it will be worse than freezing. The wave will be brought here by Professor W. B. Patty, the scientist and demonstrator. Dr. Patty will arrive in Richmond Friday morning, accompanied by the cold wave, bringing with him several gallons of liquid air, so frigid that it is 312 degrees below zero, in liquid form, yet dry, so cold that it will freeze alcohol, so hot that it boils on ice, and yet in the intensity of its coldness will melt steel. He will also bring with him several tubes of radium, the world's latest wonder, of high activity, inexhaustible light, full of heat and energy, costing over five millions of dollars per pound, and at this rate the supply is not large enough to fill the demand. Professor Patty will also give demonstrations of recent marvelous methods of sending wireless messages. Without doubt this great lecture, which will be given in the Young Men's Christian Association Hall, will be a scientific event of the season, and yet at the same time intensely interesting to the man who desires to be entertained because of the experiments and demonstrations. The lecture will be the fifth number of the association course. Reserved seats will go on sale Wednesday at 1 o'clock.



HON. CLAUDE A. SWANSON.

WANTS NATIONS TO JOIN HANDS

**British General Suggests That
England and America Unite in
Jamestown Celebration.**

GEN. LEE MUCH IMPRESSED

**Possible That He Will Go to
England to Look Further
Into the Matter.**

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., January 7.—The movement to make the commemoration of the settlement of Jamestown an international event is heartily approved by Sir Thomas Fraser, a major-general of the British army, who is now in Washington on his way to Richmond. Sir Thomas said to-day that he thought the event one of the greatest importance to the English-speaking race on both sides of the Atlantic, and he is in favor of the American and British governments uniting in the celebration and inviting all other nations to take part.

This is a new idea. Senator Daniel has for some time intended to introduce a resolution at the proper time, inviting the British government to take part in the celebration, but it is not known that he had intended going so far as to propose to the government to be the joint host with the United States on the occasion of the celebration of the anniversary of the founding of the first English settlement in the new world.

General Fitzhugh Lee, the president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, is deeply impressed with the idea. It is unlikely that he will go to England for the purpose of inducing the British government to take the steps necessary to assist in the celebration of the greatest event in our history.

Englishmen know that but for the tenacity and courage of the Englishmen who settled at Jamestown, said General Lee to-day, just after having talked with General Fraser, "there would be no Englishmen on this continent, and Canada would not be a part of the British empire. I feel assured that the English government will take part in the celebration, if invited."

The subcommittee of the House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions, to which was committed the duty of devising means of celebrating the anniversary, will be asked to consider the proposition to invite England to assist the United States in the celebration. Sir Thomas Fraser will be in Richmond and vicinity for some time, visiting historical points and studying the battlefields of the war between the States.

VATICAN TO LOOK INTO MUDDLE IN HAVANA

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, January 7.—The Vatican has decided to send an apostolic visitor to the diocese of Havana in connection with the trouble between Monsignor Chapelle, archbishop of New Orleans and former papal delegate to Cuba, and Monsignor Brodie, former auxiliary bishop of Havana.

Monsignor Serafini, apostolic visitor in Mexico, has resigned for reasons of health. His resignation has been accepted.

HURLED FORTY IN SLUSH AND WATER

**Brooklyn Trolley Car Upset and
Sixteen Passengers Are
Injured.**

MANY UNDER WRECKAGE

**Car Contained Party of Royal
Arcanumites Returning After
Installing New Lodge.**

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, January 7.—A trolley car of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, carrying forty members of Adirondack Council of the Royal Arcanum, jumped the track on a curve at the foot of a steep hill in Douglas Street, Brooklyn, early to-day, turned on its side and was smashed, hurling sixteen of the occupants and dumping them into slush and water two feet deep.

None of the passengers were fatally injured. Several were temporarily pinned under the wreckage of the car and help was summoned in frantic haste in the fear that they would be drowned before they could be released.

The party were returning from Canarsie, where they had installed a new lodge of the Royal Arcanum last night, and the street at the foot of Douglas Street was flooded by the pouring rain that night, and the car, and the curve from its side.

Fearing that the water would stop the car, the motorman drove his car into it at high speed. When it struck the curve it jumped the track and rolled over, sending all of the passengers and dumping the occupants into the icy slush.

A number were pinned under the wreckage and those who were uninjured hastened to rescue them. Police reserves from two stations, a hook and ladder company, a wrecking car, and two doctors with hospital ambulances, soon arrived.

The wreckage was piled up in time to prevent drowning.

Thomas Gliddings, past regent of the council, was found with both hands pinned in the wreck and just able to hold his head above the water. He was badly injured internally.

Several suffered fractures of legs or arms, and many of those injured were cut, bruised and suffered the dislocation of ankles, shoulders or wrists. As fast as the injured were removed they were placed in rows on the slushy sidewalk, and in the darkness and driving rain the hospital physicians gave them first aid and then hastened them to the hospitals.

A number of others besides the sixteen worst hurt were able to go home in cabs.

PREACHER GETS 21 YEARS FOR KILLING HIS SON

(By Associated Press.)
OWENSBORO, KY., January 7.—The Rev. W. W. Farmer was to-day found guilty of the murder of his son and sentenced to twenty-one years in the penitentiary. The son was twenty-one years old, and is said to have been killed by his father because he had gone to work for a farmer, and had refused to return home.

SWANSON IS OUT FOR GOVERNOR

**He Announces His Can-
didacy and His
Platform.**

BELOVED VIRGINIA HAS GREAT FUTURE

**The Fifth District Congressman
Knows of No State Which Has
More Inviting Opportuni-
ties—Would Not Forget
Confederate Veteran in
Old Age and Need.**

Hon. Claude A. Swanson, member of Congress from the Fifth District, in the subjoined letter, announces his candidacy for the governorship of Virginia.

Mr. Swanson was a candidate four years ago, but was defeated in the Norfolk convention for the nomination by Governor Montague. He at once began to work for the election of Governor Montague, and helped to roll up the gratifying majority with which Mr. Montague defeated the Republican candidate. Mr. Swanson's letter is exceedingly interesting, and will doubtless be eagerly read. It follows:

To the Democratic Voters of the State of Virginia:
I desire to announce that I will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of Virginia, at the primary to be held some time during the present year.

I am glad that the candidate for this high office will thus be selected directly by the great mass of the Democratic voters. All the candidates should graciously acquiesce in the will of the majority of the party. This will be a very important and a very responsible position.

From early youth one of my most cherished ambitions has been to be Governor of my native State. This laudable aspiration has ever been to me a hope and an inspiration in the many trials and difficulties which I have had to encounter.

I am deeply sensible of the grave responsibilities and important duties that devolve upon this high office, and I have endeavored to discharge them faithfully, fearlessly and to the best of my ability. I have striven to have my administration specially marked by the educational, moral and material progress of the State. The public schools of Virginia should be equal to those of any State. Nothing can bring to a people greater blessings and honors than the thoroughness of the public schools, especially in the country districts, are too short. Funds should be appropriated for the purpose of compensating and to extend the terms of such schools. The public schools of Virginia cannot be progressive until they are efficient. This can be accomplished by the State making a large contribution to the support of the public schools, and by the State making a large contribution to the support of the public schools, and by the State making a large contribution to the support of the public schools.

The Agricultural Department organized by the Legislature not many years ago, has been a most successful one, and has brought to the farming interests of the State its usefulness can be further extended by the State making a large contribution to the support of the Agricultural Department, and by the State making a large contribution to the support of the Agricultural Department.

The disabled and needy Confederate soldiers, and their families, deserve and should receive liberal aid from the State. The Democratic party of Virginia is to be congratulated for creating a Commission to the Legislature for the encouragement and assistance of the wage-earners. The usefulness of this position, and its recent growth, can be advantageously extended and many more benefits be thus brought to labor, not only in procuring just and reasonable wages, but also in practical work and suggestions in its behalf.

There is no more important question affecting the material welfare and progress of Virginia than the improvement of her public roads and highways. The Federal Government has been very generous in its aid, but the State must also contribute its share. Good public roads would enhance the value of farm lands and products, and make our life more desirable and delightful. They would also greatly add to the trade and business of the cities. The extension of rural delivery in the country further increases the necessity for good roads. The enhanced value of property and products, the demand that would arise for farm lands, the impetus which would be given to immigration, the improved trade and business, all of which would inevitably come from good roads, would more than pay for the expenditure of money and labor necessary to obtain them. I believe a combined system of expenditure of money and labor by local, State and Federal governments would accomplish good results in this direction. The State can derive no greater benefits from the expenditure of public money than for education and for the improvement of her public roads.

Under law, the Governor of the State

CURRENT EVENTS REFLECTED THROUGH THE GLASSES OF OUR CARTOONIST.

